

# In the Supreme Court of the United States.

OCTOBER TERM, 1919.

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STRATHEARN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

(Limited), petitioner.

v.

JOHN DILLON.

} No. 373.

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ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE UNITED STATES CIR-  
CUIT COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT.

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**MOTION OF THE UNITED STATES FOR LEAVE TO  
FILE BRIEF AS AMICUS CURIAE AND TO BE  
ORALLY HEARD.**

Comes now the Solicitor General on behalf of the United States of America and respectfully requests that it be permitted as *amicus curiae* to file a brief in the above-entitled cause and to be orally heard by counsel in its behalf.

The United States is interested in maintaining the applicability of section 4 of the "Seamen's Act" of March 4, 1915, to foreign seamen shipping at foreign ports and entering the United States on foreign vessels and to all contracts made with such seamen. The question presented is of vital interest to the United States in its efforts to build up an efficient merchant marine.

Counsel for the British Embassy have been granted leave to file a brief herein and to participate in the oral argument. Their brief on file is in opposition to the above view.

The case has been advanced for argument on December 8 next.

Counsel representing the parties to this cause concur herein.

ALEX. C. KING,  
*Solicitor General.*

NOVEMBER, 1919.



